

Listing of Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1-18. (Canceled)

19. (Previously presented) A cationic nonviral delivery vehicle comprising a dexamethasone-spermine molecule and a lipid, wherein the spermine constituent of said dexamethasone-spermine molecule is attached through the C-21 position of the dexamethasone constituent of said dexamethasone-spermine molecule.

20. (Previously presented) A cationic lipid nonviral delivery vehicle made by a method comprising, mixing together a steroid, a conjugating reagent, and a polyamine, wherein said conjugating reagent conjugates said polyamine through the C-21 position of said steroid via the displacement of a leaving group, purifying said conjugated steroid-polyamine molecule, and mixing said steroid-polyamine molecule with a lipid, thereby producing a cationic nonviral delivery vehicle.

21. (Previously presented) A composition comprising a cationic nonviral delivery vehicle and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, said cationic nonviral delivery vehicle produced by a method comprising, mixing together a steroid, a conjugating reagent, and a polyamine, wherein said conjugating reagent conjugates said polyamine through the C-21 position of said steroid via the displacement of a leaving group, purifying said conjugated steroid-polyamine molecule, and mixing said steroid-polyamine molecule with a lipid, thereby producing a cationic nonviral delivery vehicle.

22-27. (Canceled)

28. (Previously presented) A kit for administering a cationic nonviral delivery vehicle, wherein said cationic nonviral delivery vehicle is made by mixing together a steroid, dimethylsulfoxide, a conjugating reagent, and a polyamine, wherein said conjugating reagent

conjugates said polyamine through the C-21 position of said steroid via the displacement of a leaving group, purifying said conjugated steroid-polyamine molecule, and mixing said steroid-polyamine molecule with a lipid, said kit comprising a cationic nonviral delivery vehicle, an applicator, and an instructional material for the use thereof.

29-51. (Canceled)

52. (Previously presented) A kit for treating a disease or disorder in a mammal, said kit comprising a cationic lipid nonviral delivery vehicle, and an effective amount of a compound, an applicator, and an instructional material for the use thereof, wherein said compound treats said disease or disorder, further wherein said cationic nonviral delivery vehicle is made by mixing together a steroid, dimethylsulfoxide, a conjugating reagent, and a polyamine, wherein said conjugating reagent conjugates said polyamine through the C-21 position of said steroid via the displacement of a leaving group, purifying the steroid-polyamine molecule, and mixing said steroid-polyamine molecule with a lipid.

53-55. (Canceled)